

Printing company awarded large U.S. Government Printing Office contract

WASHINGTON, D.C. – What's good for a local printer is good for U.S. taxpayers. The U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) awarded Harris & Co., Inc., a printing company located in Salem, Ohio, a contract worth nearly \$140,000. Harris is printing 2.5 million plastic training aides for the Army.

"This is great news for Harris," Congressman Charlie Wilson (OH-6) said. "I'm always proud when small businesses from our region provide good service for taxpayers and help bring good jobs to the area."

According to the GPO, "printing contracts made through the GPO's printing procurement offices around the nation provide substantial savings for the taxpayer and strengthen local economies. In FY2008, the GPO purchased over \$532.6 million worth of printing and binding for the Federal Government through competitive contracts with commercial printers."

"This is a nice piece of business, especially in this economic climate," said George Ritchie, Vice President of Harris. "We needed to hire four part time workers just to help with this contract."

"It's my understanding that the average GPO contract is worth between \$2,000 and \$10,000," Wilson said. "So this contract that Harris has been awarded is a substantial chunk of work that needed to be done and I'm glad it's being done in Ohio's Sixth Congressional District."